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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
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Applicant: Paul Giotta and Jesper Honig Spring

Serial No.: 09/899,662

Filed: July 5, 2001

Title: METHOD FOR ENSURING OPERATION DURING NODE FAILURES  
AND NETWORK PARTITIONS IN A CLUSTERED MESSAGE PASSING  
SERVER

Docket No.: FRR-12587

LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application - Filing Date Granted dated August 24, 2001 (copy enclosed), Applicant encloses herewith the required Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-identified application. A check for \$65.00 is enclosed to cover the late filing fee surcharge for the enclosed declaration.

If there are any further fees resulting from this communication not covered by the enclosed check, or if no check was enclosed, please charge the same to Deposit Account No. 18-0160, Order No. FRR-12587.

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